

## **“Requirements for maintenance of privately owned hydrants”**

- Must obtain a permit issued by the OKC Fire Marshal’s Office for removal, use, or operation of a privately owned fire hydrant.

**Why** - In accordance with the latest editions of the, IFC, NFPA 291, NFPA 25, NFPA 24, regulations, as adopted by the City of Oklahoma City.

**When** - Upon notice by official, current owners shall have 60 days to be in compliance with city code and continued thereafter on an annual basis.

**How** - It is the owners responsibility to hire a private construction contractor or fire suppression company that is certified in the state of Oklahoma to perform the inspection and maintenance on a private fire hydrant.

**What** - Submit documentation of annual inspection’s and flow tests as required.

## **What to do...**

### **Annual permit fee- \$85.00**

New and existing hydrants shall obtain operational and construction permits as required and records of inspections, testing, and maintenance shall be maintained and available upon request of the fire code official.

Hydrants shall be painted canary yellow #ffef00 to distinguish them from public hydrants.

Notification shall be made to the fire department anytime a private hydrant has an impairment, either pre-planned or emergency, and when it has been restored.

Temporarily inoperative hydrants should be wrapped or otherwise provided with temporary indication of their condition. (NFPA 291)

In accordance with NFPA 25, a private fire service main and its appurtenances shall be properly inspected, tested and maintained to provide at least the same level of performance and protection as designed.

Private fire service mains and water tanks shall be inspected, tested and maintained in accordance with NFPA 25, in the following intervals:

1. Private fire hydrants (all types) - Inspection annually and after each operation, flow test and maintenance annually.
2. Fire service main piping – Inspection of exposed, (annually); flow test (every 5 years).
3. Fire service main piping strainers – Inspection and maintenance after each use.

## **Annual Inspections**

Private Hydrant Inspections are routine inspections that are conducted annually.

- Fire code compliance is the primary goal of the inspections.
- Inspections are instrumental in upholding fire and life safety for our cities residents, employees, tenants, or anyone else spending time on the property.
- Ensures access to fire department water supplies and fire department connections are maintained
- Maintain proper clearance and placement of obstructions (fences, landscaping, etc.) that would prevent operation of hydrant.
- Increases safety and firefighting reliability in the hydrants and water systems reducing the potential for water supply impairments that may hinder firefighters ability to save lives and property.



## Understanding The Results

An inspector is available to assist you by explaining the inspection results or answering any questions you may have. You can contact them by calling Fire Prevention Services at 405-297-3584 or emailing [FD-Code@okc.gov](mailto:FD-Code@okc.gov)



For additional information, call Fire Prevention Services at **405-297-3584** or go to...

[www.okc.gov/departments/  
fire/private-hydrant](http://www.okc.gov/departments/fire/private-hydrant)

**IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY**

**CALL 9-1-1**

**Annual Permit Fee - \$85.00**

**Payments can be made:**

- **By phone:** 405-297-3584
- **By mail:** Oklahoma City Fire Department 2300 General Pershing Blvd, OKC, Ok 73107
- **In person:** Fire Marshal's Office 2300 General Pershing Blvd OKC, OK, 73107

**Monday through Friday 8am—5pm**



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